

## **815 KAR 8:045. Limited licenses for journeyman HVAC mechanics.**

RELATES TO: KRS 198B.650, 198B.654, 198B.656, 198B.658, 198B.660, 198B.662, 198B.664, 198B.676, 198B.684

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 198B.654(1), 198B.658, 198B.660(1), (2), 198B.664(3), 198B.676(1), 198B.684

NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 198B.654(1) requires the Board of Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Contractors to promulgate administrative regulations to administer, coordinate and enforce KRS 198B.650 to 198B.689. This administrative regulation is a supplement to 815 KAR 8:020, and establishes the requirements for an applicant who seeks to become licensed to perform limited functions pursuant to the journeyman HVAC licensing law. This administrative regulation is necessary to treat qualified persons similarly by allowing applicants to be licensed according to their qualifications, and in order to meet the intention of KRS Chapter 13A as it relates to tiering of administrative regulations.

Section 1. Application for Limited Licenses. Applicants seeking to be licensed as a journeyman mechanic under 815 KAR 8:020, but who choose to use their experience and career goals to function in a limited capacity, shall be granted a limited license upon proof of experience and examination, as follows:

(1) Limited journeyman HVAC duct mechanic - An applicant seeking a limited journeyman HVAC duct mechanic license shall submit to the board:

- (a) A completed limited journeyman HVAC duct mechanic license on Form HVAC 4;
- (b) A nonrefundable initial license application fee of fifty (50) dollars;
- (c) Proof of satisfactory completion of the "Kentucky Limited Journeyman HVAC Duct Mechanics Examination" developed and administered by the International Code Council;
- (d) A passport-sized color photograph of the applicant; and
- (e) Proof of the applicant's experience as required by KRS 198B.658(2)(b) and by 815 KAR 8:020, Section 5.

(2) Limited journeyman HVAC installer mechanic – An applicant seeking a limited journeyman HVAC installer mechanic license shall submit to the board:

- (a) A completed limited journeyman HVAC installer mechanic license on Form HVAC 5;
- (b) A nonrefundable initial license application fee of fifty (50) dollars;
- (c) Proof of satisfactory completion of the "Kentucky Limited Journeyman HVAC Installer Examination" developed and administered by the International Code Council;
- (d) A passport-sized color photograph of the applicant; and
- (e) Proof of the applicant's experience as required by KRS 198B.658(2)(b) and by 815 KAR 8:020, Section 5.

(3) Termination of application. The initial application shall remain pending until all requirements are met up to a period of one (1) year after the date the application is submitted. At the end of one (1) year, the application shall be void.

(4) Upon application by a testing agency, a national code group or by an applicant for certification, the office may recognize another examination as equivalent to the examinations administered by the International Code Council. The person or group submitting the examination shall demonstrate that the examinations cover the same material and require the same level of knowledge as the International Code Council examinations.

Section 2. Limited Licenses and Responsibilities. (1) A person licensed under the alternative limited licensing provisions of this administrative regulation may work independently within the range of the limited license authorization while under the general supervision of a master HVAC

contractor.

(2) A person holding a limited license shall not hold himself out as complying with all the journeyman HVAC mechanic experience and examination requirements of 815 KAR 8:020.

(3) A limited license shall not replace the requirement that each master HVAC contractor shall have in his employ at least one (1) journeyman HVAC mechanic whose license is not limited.

Section 3. Renewal Requirements and Procedures. Licenses issued pursuant to this administrative regulation shall be renewed in accordance with the renewal requirements established in 815 KAR 8:020, Section 6.

Section 4. Incorporation by Reference. (1) The following material is incorporated by reference:

(a) "Form HVAC 4, Limited Journeyman HVAC Installer License Application," February 15, 2005; and

(b) "Form HVAC 5, Limited Journeyman HVAC Duct Mechanic License Application," February 15, 2005.

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